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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the application of:

Lauren T. MAY

Serial No.: 09/745,496

Filing Date: December 21, 2000

For: PROXY METHODS FOR IP ADDRESS  
ASSIGNMENT AND UNIVERSAL  
ACCESS MECHANISM

Examiner: To Be Assigned

Group Art Unit: 2661

**PROSECUTION BY ASSIGNEE AND POWER OF ATTORNEY  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.71**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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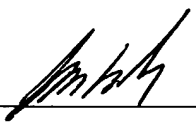
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**CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)**

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For: PROXY METHODS FOR IP ADDRESS ASSIGNMENT AND UNIVERSAL ACCESS  
MECHANISM

NEXT LEVEL COMMUNICATIONS, a California corporation, certifies that it is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the patent application identified above by virtue of either:

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The undersigned has reviewed all the documents in the chain of title of the patent application identified above and, to the best of undersigned's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee identified above.

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign this certificate on behalf of the assignee.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements, and the like so made, are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001, Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Dated: 3-14-01

  
Name: James Waidrey  
Title: Chief Financial Officer  
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ASSIGNMENT  
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THIS ASSIGNMENT, by Lauren T. MAY (hereinafter referred to as the assignor), residing at 6490 Eagle Ridge Road, Penngrove, California 94951, witnesseth:

WHEREAS, said assignor has invented certain new and useful improvements in (FOR), set forth in an application for Letters Patent of the United States, having an oath or declaration executed on even date herewith; bearing Serial No. 09/745,496 and filed on December 21, 2000; and

WHEREAS, NEXT LEVEL COMMUNICATIONS, a corporation duly organized under and pursuant to the laws of California and having its principal place of business at 6085 State Farm Drive, Rohnert Park, California 94928 (hereinafter referred to as the assignee NEXT LEVEL COMMUNICATIONS) is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions and said application for Letters Patent of the United States, and in and to any Letters Patent or Patents, United States or foreign, to be obtained therefor and thereon:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and sufficient consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, said assignor has sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents does sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto said assignee NEXT LEVEL COMMUNICATIONS, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-mentioned inventions, application for Letters Patent, and any and all Letters Patent or Patents in the United States of America and all foreign countries which may be granted therefor and thereon, and in and to any and all divisions, continuations and continuations-in-part of said application, or reissues or extensions of said Letters Patent or Patents, and all rights under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, the same to be held and enjoyed by said assignee NEXT LEVEL COMMUNICATIONS, for its own use and the use of its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which Letters Patent or Patents may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by the assignor, had this sale and assignment not been made.

AND for the same consideration, said assignor hereby covenants and agrees to and with said assignee NEXT LEVEL COMMUNICATIONS its successors, legal representatives and assigns, that, at the time of execution and delivery of these presents, said assignor is the sole and lawful owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions and the application for Letters Patent above-mentioned, and that the same are unencumbered and that said assignor has good and full right and lawful authority to sell and convey the same in the manner herein set forth.

AND for the same consideration, said assignor hereby covenants and agrees to and with said assignee NEXT LEVEL COMMUNICATIONS, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, that said assignor will, whenever counsel of said assignee, or the counsel of its successor, legal representatives and assigns, shall advise that any proceeding in connection with said inventions, or said application for Letters Patent, or any proceeding in connection with Letters Patent for said inventions in any country, including interference proceedings, is lawful and desirable, or that any division, continuation or continuation-in-part of any application for Letters Patent or any reissue or extension of any Letters Patent, to be obtained thereon, is lawful and desirable, sign all papers and documents, take all lawful oaths, and do all acts necessary or required to be done for the procurement, maintenance, enforcement and defense of Letters Patent for said inventions, without charge to said assignee NEXT LEVEL COMMUNICATIONS, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, but at the cost and expense of said assignee NEXT LEVEL COMMUNICATIONS, its successors, legal representatives and assigns.

AND said assignor hereby requests the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent of the United States to said assignee NEXT LEVEL COMMUNICATIONS as the assignee NEXT LEVEL COMMUNICATIONS of said inventions and the Letters Patent to be issued thereon for the sole use of said assignee NEXT LEVEL COMMUNICATIONS, its successors, legal representatives and assigns.

MAR 19, '01  
Date

Assignor

Lauren T. MAY